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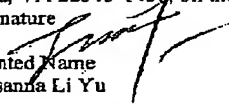
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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C.
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MAILED JANUARY 3, 2005

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Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed January 3, 2005. Please be informed that a Preliminary Amendment was submitted on July 2, 2004 canceling claims 1-53, removing all multiple dependent claims, and adding new claims 54-76. Therefore, Applicant believes that the additional claim fees of \$1,910 are not due. In addition, a signed Combined Declaration of the Inventors was submitted on August 16, 2004. Copies of the Notification of Missing Requirements, Assignment, Transmittal and Communication Regarding Missing Requirements, Combined Declaration, and one return postcard are attached.

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Applicant believes no other fees are due with this response. However if any fee is due,
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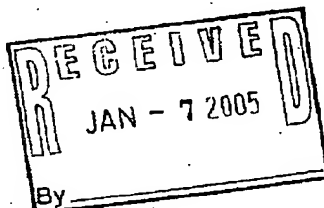
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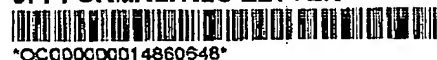
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/02/2004
- English Translation of the IA filed on 07/02/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/02/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 07/02/2004
- Oath or Declaration filed on 07/02/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 07/02/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/02/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 07/02/2004

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$1910 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:

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■ is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

- \$.00 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) has not been received.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$1910 for a Large Entity:

- \$.00 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 1910
 - \$1550 for 34 total claims over 20.
 - \$360 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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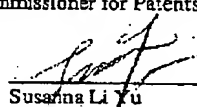
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COMMUNICATION REGARDING MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, enclosed please find the originally signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the Missing Requirements completion fee. To date, we have not received the Notification of Missing Requirements. We therefore do not enclose a copy thereof herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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